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SB 2828 SD 2 HD 2 is a travesty for the homeless population of Hawaii.

This Bill limits the Governor's emergency powers to dealing only with mitigating floods, earthquakes, slope erosion, culvert repairs, boat ramp dredging, dam spillway repairs and river restoration. The specific language regarding homelessness is page five line 17 "provided that the term does not include the remedying of periodic or longstanding societal inequities or circumstances that may arise over the course of time that could otherwise be contemplated and remedied through the enactment of law under the legislative process." The majority (Democrats) have stated that addressing homelessness is part of the majority package of bills, however we are unaware of any legislation passed through that specifically addresses homelessness.

All emergency proclamations, made by the Governor, that are currently in effect, will automatically expire on the day that SB 2828 takes effect, it will take effect immediately when passed.

Consequently, this bill will cease the building of the Ma'ili and building 36 construction /renovation in Kalaeloa which is under the Governor's proclamation.

The Next Step shelters that are up and running will not cease operations provided they receive funding.

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STOP THIS BILL!!!!